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Examiner : Ernest F. Karlsen
Group Art Unit : 2829

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Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing in the above-identified application are:

- (X) A Response to Restriction Requirement and Election of Species and Preliminary Amendment in 5 pages.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 11-1410.
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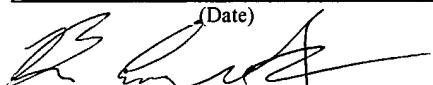
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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND ELECTION OF SPECIES AND
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In an action mailed October 5, 2004, the Examiner required restriction of prosecution to one of the following groups of claims:

Response to Restriction Requirement begins on page 2 of this paper.

Prior to examination on the merits in the above-referenced application, please amend the application as indicated below:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In an action mailed October 5, 2004, the Examiner required restriction of prosecution to one of the following groups of claims:

- Group I Claims 1-12, drawn to an electrical component testing device, classified in class 324, subclass 754;
- Group II Claims 13-22, drawn to a device for testing a plurality of semiconductor devices, classified in class 324, subclass 754;
- Group III Claims 23-28, drawn to a method of manufacturing a device for testing a plurality of electrical components, classified in class 29, subclass 825; and
- Group IV Claims 29-32, drawn to a method of testing plurality of electrical components, classified in class 324, subclass 754.

In response, Applicants elect, without traverse, to proceed with examination on the merits of Group II (Claims 13-22), drawn to a device for testing a plurality of semiconductor devices, classified in class 324, subclass 754.